

May 13, 2009

Sherry Little
Deputy FTA Administrator
Federal Transit Administration
400 Seventh Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20590

Dear Sherry,

As governor of the state of South Dakota, in accordance with 49 USC Section 5311 (f) (2), under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, I hereby exercise my option to certify that the inter-city bus service needs of the state have been adequately met. Accordingly, the state will not be programming \$191,190 of Fiscal Year 2009 Section 5311 (f) apportionment funds for inter-city bus transportation, as would be required by federal law absent this certification. We are providing \$505,000 in 5311 (f) monies for funding to Jefferson Lines and providing funding to rural public transits for feeder service to Jefferson Lines in the amount of \$182,000.

The state of South Dakota is also helping the inter-city bus lines with a bus procurement using 49 USC Section 5309 funds. We have agreed to help them with the purchase of three paratransit buses in the amount of \$227,734.

If you have any questions regarding this certification, please contact Mr. Bruce Lindholm, Program Manager, Local Transportation Programs, 700 East Broadway Avenue, Pierre, SD 57501, telephone number 605.773.7045.

Sincerely,	
M. Micháel Rounds	